REMARKS

Claims 1 - 9 remain in the case. All claims stand rejected. Claims 2 and 6 have been cancelled. All other claims have been amended and are fully supported by the specification as filed.

Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. §102

Claim 1 was rejected as being anticipated by Lin et al. or Tatsumi, et al.

Both of the articles cited by the Examiner are directed to the use of zeolite Y as a support for metals having Fischer-Tropsch (FT) activity. The present invention is directed toward a catalyst composition comprising two distinct catalyst particles, one having FT activity, the other having isomerization activity (i.e., zeolite Y).

The presently claimed invention (claim 1) requires that there be distinct catalyst particles having FT activity and catalyst particles having isomerization activity. Since the articles cited by the Examiner do not disclose all of the limitations of amended claim 1, the Applicants request that the Examiner withdraw his 102 rejection. Since all remaining claims depend, directly or indirectly, from claim 1, the Applicants submit that they are all now in a condition for allowance.

Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. §103

Claims 1-9 stand rejected as obvious in view of the same articles described above. All of these claims depend, either directly or indirectly, from claim 1. The Applicants submit that since claim 1 is now in a condition for allowance, the Examiner's 103 rejections are now moot.

If any matters remain requiring further consideration, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned at the number given below so that such matters may be discussed and, if possible, promptly resolved.

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